

As the below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

We believe we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DISCOVERING COMPUTER SYSTEMS IN A DISTRIBUTED MULTI-SYSTEM CLUSTER** the specification of which

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 of any foreign application(s) or U.S. provisional application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application or U.S. provisional application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application of which priority is claimed.

Priority Claimed

We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, we acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

(Application Serial No.)	Filing Date	(Status: Patented, pending, abandoned)
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Wherefore we pray that Letters Patent be granted to us for the invention or discovery described and claimed in the foregoing specification and claims, and we hereby subscribe our name to the foregoing specification and claims, declaration, power of attorney, and this petition.

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